



## Massasoit State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

# **AUGUST 2021 PROGRAMS**

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Inclement weather cancels most programs. For programs meeting at the Campground parking lot, pick up a vehicle tag at the Contact Station. Reasonable accommodations available on request. For more information, call (508) 822-7405.

**Fridays** Aug. 6, 13, & 20

HISTORY MYSTERY CHALLENGE, 11:00 am-noon. Meet at Contact Station parking lot on entrance road. Investigate strange signs from the past, hidden just off the park entrance road and back in the nearby woods. Join us on a short walk among the artifacts and ghosts! Help unlock the secrets of this archaeological mystery. For historical detectives of all ages.

**Fridays** Aug. 13 & 27 CAMPFIRE, 8:00 pm-9:00pm. Meet at Big Bearhole Amphitheater.

Join us at Big Bearhole Amphitheater for a campfire, familyfriendly stories, and songs—and the chance to hear some of our local critter nightlife (which could include owls, crickets, frogs, or even coyotes). Bring flashlights and insect repellant. For all ages.

**Saturdays** & 28

OLD-TIME PLANT REMEDIES, 11:00 am - 12:00pm. Aug. 7, 14, 21, Meet at Campground parking lot. Get vehicle tag at **Contact Station.** 

> When rural folks looked over the land, they didn't see ecosystems or natural beauty so much as useful plants: crops and forage in fields and pastures, timber in woodlots, and almost everywhere, a pharmacy of folk remedies. Learn the stories behind old-time remedies. For ages 8 years and up.

Saturdays Aug. 7, 14, 21, & 28

MILLS OF MASSASOIT, 2:00-3:30 pm. Meet at parking lot on right, just before Big Bearhole Dam. Though few signs remain, the Industrial Revolution had a big impact on our park. For decades, people made their lives here; raised families; and worked in sawmills, gristmills, an iron foundry, and a cotton mill. Join us on a visit to one key site and help keep their story alive. For historians of all ages.

### MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

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Sundays Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22. & 29

BOX 'O ROCKS: GEOLOGY, 11:00 am-12:00 pm. Meet at Contact Station parking lot on entrance road.

Our park is an excellent spot to learn about geology. You can explore the impact of glaciers on the land, find a variety of common minerals (the building blocks of rocks), and see all the main rock categories: igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary. For rock detectives, ages 8 years and up.

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**Mondays** Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30

HIKE TO DISCOVERY, 3:00-4:30 pm. Meet at Amie's Playground parking area.

Explore natural and human history on an easy 2-3-mile hike. See several ponds (Middle, Big Bearhole, Little Bearhole), Lake Rico, glacial features, old cranberry bogs, and mill ruins. Wear sturdy shoes. Bring a snack, water, bug spray, hat, and raingear, as appropriate. For explorers, ages 10 and up.

**Tuesdays** 24, & 31

WILDFLOWER WALK, 4:00-5:00 p.m.. Meet at Camp-Aug. 3, 10, 17, ground parking lot. Get visitor tag at Contact Station. Join the Park Interpreter on a walk through several local plant communities to see flowering plants as well as some trees, shrubs, aquatic plants, and weeds. Bring water, plant keys or

guides (if you have them), sunscreen, and raingear, as appro-

priate. For flower lovers of all ages.



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